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COPE endorses Quinn and Lee

REPORT To Our Reader - Owners

SACRED WHEAT, COW

The charge is rightly made that most of us defend the way we make our living. Our bread and butter is sacred. No remarks, please, about the wheat or cow it comes from.

Certainly no such charge can be made against Dr. A. R. J. Grosch, manager of space programs for the military products division of International Business Machines. For at a meeting of scientists and technologists in Pasadena to discuss space and missile programs, Dr. Grosch shouted:

"Our missile program is the swan song of a dying civilization!"

Shocked surprise on the part of all present, who of course make their bread and butter out of this particular wheat and cow, space and missile programs, as does Dr. Grosch.

IBM STOCK BOOMS

Next day a shocked general manager of IBM's military products division said of Dr. Grosch that "his views don't agree with my views nor with those of the company."

A very few days later the financial pages of the press carried the announcement that the big news of the day was the advance of IBM stock by 24½ points. So sacred a cow, so holy a bushel of wheat, had Dr. Grosch insulted! (In fact, the only other stock which boomed that day was Chrysler, whose president told the financial editor of the Chronicle recently that his firm has a hard time making money because auto workers here get more than the 85 cents a day paid French auto workers.)

JUST SUPPOSE . . .

It's possible that some union officers who have quit thinking of unionism as anything more than a job for themselves can sympathize with the shock that crowd of missiles and space-men must have felt when Dr. Grosch made such a nonconformist remark. For suppose somebody got up and shouted at a big labor union conference:

"All paid union officers ought to be canned!"

Horror, consternation, economic indigestion! Especially if he were himself a paid union officer.

GOVERNOR BROWN will make Oakland his only Bay Area stop during a flying two-day "report to the people" Monday and Tuesday. He will speak here Monday noon.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 6 of this issue of the Journal.

Teachers blast CTA "company union" actions

Paul Ward of Chicago, secretary of the American Federation of Teachers, urged the Central Labor Council this week to support legislation to prevent school districts from pressuring new teachers into joining the company-union California Teachers Association.

Ward said school hiring officials often suggest to new instructors that they join the CTA instead of the Teachers' Union.

Ward, who formerly lived in Contra Costa County, was secretary to labor attorney Robert L. Condon when the latter served as a Democratic member of Congress from Contra Costa and Solano counties.

He said organized labor must take an interest in schools and what they teach.

Ward urged the election of COPE-endorsed candidates to the Oakland Board of Education April 21.

Hy Haydis of Teachers 771 charged that Oakland school principals have "taxed themselves" to support incumbents running for the Board of Education.

In addition, Haydis said, school

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Union gas buggies not COPE minded

Ruth Suhling of Communications Workers 9415 told Central Labor Council delegates that she made a personal check and found only a few cars in the Labor Temple parking lot with bumper strips for COPE-endorsed candidates.

President Russell Crowell named her a "committee of one" to see that all had strips.

Earlier, John F. Quinn, COPE-endorsed candidate for the Oakland City Council, said he was assured of a "strong and healthy" campaign.

Predicting victory, Quinn promised he and Edward O. (Pete) Lee, the other COPE-backed council candidate, would uphold labor principles when elected.

Hurry to sign for shop steward skull session

Last-minute applications for the shop stewards' training session will be accepted until noon, Thursday, April 9, Art Hellenender, assistant secretary, told the Central Labor Council Monday.

Hellenender said more than 80 persons are expected to attend the course, which will be held Friday and Saturday, April 10 and 11.

3 COPE CANDIDATES WIN BERKELEY COUNCIL TERMS

COPE - endorsed candidates won three out of four 4-year terms on the Berkeley City Council in Tuesday's election.

They were: John DeBonis and Arthur Harris, both incumbents, and Bernice Hubbard May.

COPE's fourth selection, Dr. James G. Whitney, ran sixth in the field of 14 candidates.

For a two-year council term, COPE-endorsed Rev. Roy Nichols lost to Hurford E. Stone by 1,359 votes.

Spurgeon Avakian, endorsed by COPE, ran first in a three-way race for two seats on the Board of Education.

The other COPE-backed candidate, Charles E. Wilson, was edged out by H. Quayle Petersmeyer by 266 votes.

Counting of 528 absentee ballots next Tuesday could change either this or a close margin between Mrs. May and Alvin A. DeMello in the council race.

Delegates told to write legislators

The importance of backing labor's legislative representatives in Sacramento was stressed in two reports at this week's Central Labor Council meeting.

Art Hellenender, assistant secretary, reported on remarks to the council's Executive Board by Manuel Dias, vice president of the California Labor Federation.

Dias asked union members to write their assemblymen and state senators, asking support for bills backed by the federation.

Hellenender pointed out that CLF Newsletters are available at labor council meetings. Those who want to be placed on the Newsletter's mailing list should write the CLF.

Kenneth Steadman of Steelworkers 3367 stressed the need for backing labor's program if it is to become law.

Keep hands off Prop. 1, CLC asks its affiliates

Unions affiliated with the Central Labor Council have been asked to take no action in support of Oakland Proposition 1.

A special committee of unions with members working for the city recommended that no endorsements be made and that the labor council ask affiliated unions "to take no action in support of it."

The action was approved by council delegates following recommendation of the Executive Board.

FEP caravan called off

A Sacramento caravan sponsored by the California Committee for Fair Employment Practices this weekend has been called off, according to a letter read to Central Labor Council delegates.

Blumer, King and Votruba get COPE school board nod



JOHN F. QUINN



EDWARD O. (Pete) LEE

Oakland's free-for-all City Council race is going into its final round with only two out of 21 candidates endorsed by the Alameda County AFLCIO Committee on Political Education (COPE).

They are Edward O. (Pete) Lee, District 1, and John F. Quinn, District 3. Both were endorsed unanimously for the April 27 election by COPE delegates.

Three candidates for the Oakland Board of Education have been endorsed by COPE: Mrs. June L. Blumer, Office No. 1; the Rev. Matthew J. Votruba,

Office No. 3, and John J. King, Office No. 4.

King, incumbent president of the board, is unopposed.

COPE endorsed incumbent city auditor-controller Martin Huff, also unopposed.

The COPE endorsements were made at a special meeting Tuesday, March 31.

Lee, an instructor in history and French at Oakland High School, attended Contra Costa Junior College and was graduated from the University of California in political science and government. He holds a California

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BTC endorses joint St. Rose- S. L. Memorial hospital drive

Building Trades Council delegates went on record unanimously Tuesday night endorsing a joint fund-raising drive for the proposed non-profit St. Rose (Catholic) and San Leandro Memorial (Lutheran) hospitals.

The action was taken after delegates heard a letter from the St. Rose Hospital Building Fund, Inc., to leaders of the San Leandro Memorial Hospital campaign.

It pointed out the need for cooperation between the two campaigns, one for a hospital in Hayward, the other for San Leandro. Both must raise matching local funds by May 22 to qualify for government Hill-Burton Act funds.

Charles Roe of Carpenters 1622, Hayward civic leader and member of the St. Rose hospital board, pointed out that neither hospital would be a tax-supported institution.

Construction of both is urgently needed, Roe said, because of population growth in southern Alameda County. He pointed out that it would take 2½ years to build the St. Rose hospital.

Labor would have a voice in the St. Rose Hospital, Roe told the building trades delegates. He pointed out that drive leaders had urged that a committee of labor representatives be appointed. They would become part of the Civic Advisory Board for the hospital.

The letter from the St. Rose leaders emphasized that the success or failure of both drives depends largely on the cooperation employees and industry give them in the remaining 40 days before the Hill-Burton deadline.

A joint appeal is especially important because employers don't want two separate requests for funds made on company time.

"With a total of \$3,152,912 in federal and state matching grants at stake," the letter said, "it is of the utmost importance that both hospitals qualify for allocations that will assure southern Alameda County residents the 250 hospital beds desperately needed for this fast-growing area—150 for St. Rose

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HOW TO BUY

Car insurance spiraling

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

In the past year, 28 states have increased auto-insurance rates, typically 15 percent, in some cases for the ninth time in the last 12 years. Increases are under consideration in other states. In general, the cost of insuring a car has jumped 72 percent in the past ten years compared to a 31 percent increase in the price of cars themselves, and an average rise for all goods and services of 24 percent. In many metropolitan areas, owners now pay \$100-\$200 a year for insurance, and families with young drivers, as much as \$400 in the largest cities.

Yet even with these steep rates, it has become difficult for car owners in some large cities to get auto insurance at all. Insurers have clamped down in New York, for example, to the extent that often drivers who have had a minor accident even if not their fault, or even a traffic violation, must go into the "assigned-risk" pool. In that event, they often pay 35 percent more than even the high standard rates. In effect, the insurance companies are on strike.

In many cases, car owners are being pressured into buying other types, such as household fire insurance, to get auto insurance.

In New York and Massachusetts, where further boosts were denied in recent years by the state insurance departments, the companies went to court to compel increases. In New York, after the previous administration of Governor Harriman had denied a requested rate increase as excessive and premature, auto insurance even became a political issue. Agents formed an "Insurance Agents for Rockefeller" committee to help defeat Harriman for reelection.

In general, insurance companies blame the present chaos in metropolitan areas on the increase in accidents, high jury awards, high repair costs, increased hospitalization costs and steep attorney and doctor fees. For example, it costs \$100 and up to replace a shattered wind-

shield in a modern car. One authority points out that it cost only \$10 to replace a smashed fender on a 1949 car. But a fender replacement on a modern car requires a whole new quarter panel for about \$160.

Some of these arguments are true, but not the claim that increased accidents are a major cause. There were ten million accidents in 1957 compared to eight million in '39. But the number of cars has more than doubled—from 30 million in '39 to 66 million '57. Thus there now actually are fewer accidents per car.

At the same time, the insurance industry, especially the stock companies and agents associations and some state insurance departments, are hampering efforts to introduce economy methods which would keep down insurance costs. One of the most promising is group auto insurance, in which labor unions are pioneering. Group purchases of life and hospitalization insurance have cut costs enormously. Some Blue Cross plans operate on less than ten cents of the premium dollar compared to the 40-50 cents the auto insurance demand.

Until group insurance is available or the states themselves provide auto insurance as does the Province of Saskatchewan in Canada, we advise:

(1) Concentrating on liability insurance rather than collision coverage, since a liability suit is your greater danger, and non-reimbursed damage to your own car collision is tax-deductible anyway; (2) Shopping for lowest rates in your area and your particular classification among mutuals and other rate-cutters who give savings to drivers with good safety records, such as Factory Mutual of Providence, R. I., Government Employees Insurance Co., State Farm, Nationwide, Allstate, Safeco, Lumbermen's and its affiliated companies, your local auto club and others; (3) Making sure you get proper classification and a reasonable rate if you buy through a car dealer or finance company—they have been known to charge buyers the rate for higher classifications than necessary; (4) Driving with great care and avoiding small nuisance claims or exaggerated claims, since it's getting costlier and harder to get insurance at all.

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9 out of 10 girls will work

If present trends in women's employment continue, nine out of ten young women will be wage earners an average of twenty-five years. This prediction was made by Dr. Henry David, director of the National Manpower Council.

But statistics on the growing number of working wives and mothers fail to impress the young, Miss Bryna Ball, Dr. David's associate commented. She reported on conferences held at several women's colleges on the council's findings.

"They all believe they would be the tenth — the ones who would marry and live happily ever after," she said. They couldn't possibly imagine even how they could ever be 30 years of age.

With this lack of foresight, Miss Ball continued, the undergraduates are left without a clear plan for the future and without preparation for it by a wise choice of courses.

High flavor maple ice cream

A new kind of maple ice cream that incorporates "real maple" is undergoing research testing. At present much maple ice cream is made with imitation maple flavors. Three kinds of maple ice cream are to be tried out in this research: straight maple, maple revel, and a maple candied product similar to chocolate chip.

The research is in its initial stages. The problem is to get a high flavor of true maple without making the product too sweet to be acceptable. Studies will include experimenting with a high-flavor maple concentrate developed by U. S. Department of Agriculture scientists, as well as with other materials. If the research results are successful, farmers who are in the maple syrup business will have a new outlet for this product.

'100-watt bulb size of olive'

A noted lighting expert calls on manufacturers to produce a 100-watt lamp bulb the size of an olive.

In a speech at the National Lighting Exposition, the expert, Thomas Smith Kelly, noted that great strides already had been made in this direction. However, he emphasized the need for increased research on flexible home lighting fixtures and the bulbs to use in them.

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Beauty hint

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"Five hundred dollars, madam."

"Five hundred dollars! Isn't there something less expensive?"

"Well," replied the surgeon, "you could try walking into a lamp-post."

Mat in sink

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To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

WHEN WOMEN CHOOSE a textile print they tell a lot about themselves, says one man in the business of selling such prints.

A conservative elderly woman, he says, likes something like this: dark red roses with murky green stems, closely packed on a black background.

One of these young, outgoing creatures will choose one with cooky-sized navy and red dots, splashed irregularly over a white ground, and will consider it "frolicsome and refreshing."

THE TIMID WOMAN, it seems, falls for white dots, as small as the head of a pin, massed in tidy pattern on a dark blue background.

"This," he says, "is for the conformist, the introvert who wants to fade into the wallpaper."

ROMANTIC is the stylized floral pattern in muted golds, burnt oranges, moss greens.

"It's real moonlight and magnolias, very feminine and old-fashioned," he told the New York Times reporter.

Concluding his remarks, he said:

"You know, Sigmund Freud may have missed a good bet by not looking at prints with his wife."

NEXT TIME you buy a print, remember: you're giving your secrets away!

You might study the prints you've already bought, and see if you can catch on to those secrets yourself.

Peanut butter and ice cream

Unusual ice cream toppings, always appealing to youngsters, can be made ahead and stored in the refrigerator for future use.

The following recipe for "Peanut Marvel," suggested by the National Dairy Council, makes an attractive, nutritious sauce for either vanilla or chocolate ice cream:

Combine one and one-half cups of light corn syrup and one-eighth teaspoon of salt in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Beat one egg white until it forms soft peaks. Add hot syrup gradually in a fine stream, beating continuously. Fold in lightly one-half to two-thirds cup of peanut butter.

Yield: Two and one-half cups of sauce.

Disposal unit

A household appliance company sent a questionnaire to Iowa housewives. One question was: "What make of garbage disposal unit do you use?" One woman answered: "Five hogs." —Machinists.

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IBEW 595 fights off UE "raid"

Local 595, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFLCIO, withstood a recent "vicious raid" on one of its units by the independent United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, according to S. E. Rockwell, business manager.

In a National Labor Relations Board election at the General Electric Company's apparatus shop in Oakland, the vote was IBEW, 7; UE, 4.

All those voting are presently members of the IBEW local, Rockwell said.

The local has a three-year contract with G. E. covering the employees until October, 1960. But under present laws the UE could petition for an NLRB election on any contract extending longer than two years from the original effective date.

The principle involved in this case was such that, even though the unit consisted of only a small number of members, Local 595 could not allow the raid to go uncontested, according to Rockwell.

AFLCIO union protests subversive ban raising by Justice Department

WASHINGTON — The Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers has strongly protested a Justice Department decision to drop subversive activities charges against the Communist-dominated United Electrical Workers.

The Justice Department recently indicated it would drop pending action before the Subversive Activities Control Board because "a comprehensive analysis of the entire case at this time reflects that certain key witnesses who are essential to establish the allegations of the petition are now unavailable for testifying."

In a protest to Attorney General William P. Rogers, IUE Secretary-Treasurer Al Hartnett called the decision "at odds with the facts," declaring there has been "no change in the UE leadership" since the petition was filed in 1955.

The UE was expelled from the former CIO 10 years ago on the grounds that it was dominated by Communists, and the IUE was chartered to replace it. — (AFL-CIO News).

Local 6 provides music

Tenth anniversary of the Oakland Recreation Department's program for senior citizens is to be observed Sunday, April 19, from 1 to 5 p.m. at a party and program in the arena of the Municipal Auditorium, 21 - 12th Street.

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COPE MEETING POSTPONED—ATTAWAY'S INAUGURATION

A meeting of Alameda County COPE, scheduled for Tuesday night, has been postponed for two weeks because of the inauguration of Floyd Attaway as mayor of Hayward.

Robert S. Ash, Central Labor Council executive secretary, urged COPE delegates to attend Attaway's inauguration, scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Hayward City Hall.

Dr. Michael Sheridan will be installed vice mayor. Both Attaway and Dr. Sheridan were elected to the Hayward council in 1956 with labor support.

Attaway is a delegate to the Central Labor Council from Hayward Culinary 823. He is a member of the council's Investigating Committee and is active in COPE affairs and southern Alameda County Democratic politics.

The next COPE meeting will be held at 8 p.m. April 28 in the Labor Temple.

Cohelan, Jimmy together at opening session

Rep. Jeffery Cohelan has presented the East Bay Labor Journal with a framed photograph of the opening session of the 86th Congress.

Congressman Cohelan is seated next to Rep. James Roosevelt (D., Los Angeles). Mrs. Cohelan is in the gallery.

Cohelan was secretary of Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees 302 when he was elected to Congress last year.

Baker loses left arm; tangled in machine

Patrick Drury, 21, a member of Bakers 119, lost his left arm in an accident at Interstate Bakeries, 1010 - 46th Street, this week.

Drury, who lives at 96 Hamilton Place, was working alone, mixing topping for coffee cake when his arm became caught in a mixer. His arm was badly mangled. In great pain, he walked the length of the block-long building and went downstairs, where he collapsed.

Haggerty gave him 'brushoff': Foley

William J. Foley of Insurance Agents 219 took on C. J. Haggerty, secretary of the California Labor Council, AFLCIO this week.

Foley told the Central Labor Council that Haggerty "gave me the prettiest brushoff that you have ever seen."

Robert S. Ash, the labor council's executive secretary, had suggested that Foley go to Sacramento on important legislation.

Foley pleaded for more cooperation from Haggerty and other federation officials.

"I should be mad, but I'm not," Foley concluded.

As Foley sat down, Pete Ceremello of Paint Makers 1101 rose to comment on the high rates announced for a commercially-sponsored union strike insurance plan, reported in the daily press last week.

"To me, it looks like a real, real gimmick," Ceremello said.

Foley then arose again to move that the labor council seek an investigation by the California Insurance Commissioner. The motion passed unanimously.

Ash, Groulx and other delegates attend COPE meetings at San Diego

Both Robert S. Ash, executive secretary, and Richard Groulx, assistant secretary, missed Monday's Central Labor Council meeting because they were at a state COPE conference in San Diego.

Several delegates of individual unions also attended the conference. Subjects discussed were: voter registration, campaign techniques, women's political work, political fund raising and preparation for 1960.

Thomas L. Pitts, president of the California Labor Federation, said the labor movement is confronted with a concerted drive on the political front by business and industry.

Pitts said trade unionists must become involved in political education and be politically active.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

Teamo pension plan to cover 35 States: Mohn

The pension fund of the Western Conference of Teamsters will be combined with that of the Midwestern and Southern Conferences, under a plan approved by the fund trustees.

Einar Mohn, president of the Western Conference, said that when the plan is worked out members could work in any one of 35 States and carry their pension rights with them.

His story!

Thomas Almond of Carpenters 36 reports he and Tony Decrante caught 120 pounds of fish at Santa Cruz early this month plus a 6 lb. shark.

Clancy acquitted in Stockton case

Patrick Clancy, former president of Operating Engineers Local 3, has been cleared in Stockton of charges of stealing \$800 in union funds.

The case centered on the same real estate transaction which brought a grand theft conviction last year for Victor Swanson, former Local 3 business manager.

Deputy District Attorney James Willets told the court that "the same facts were already considered in a trial in San Francisco" in which Clancy was convicted to taking a profit on sale of union-owned autos.

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Teachers explain reasons for rally Thursday evening

To draw public attention to the activities of the Oakland Board of Education in its forthcoming treatment of the Oakland public school teachers' salary schedule, Local 771 of the American Federation of Teachers is organizing an Oakland Teachers' Salary Rally.

It will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9 in the Roosevelt Junior High School Auditorium at Nineteenth Avenue and East Nineteenth Street.

Among the featured speakers expected for the occasion are Professor Joel Hildebrand of the University of California; Assemblyman Nicholas Petris of the Fifteenth Assembly District, and John King, president of the Oakland Board of Education.

"Hitherto," states George Stokes, president of Local 771, "the board's actions have been somewhat screened by lack of attention to what it is doing. It is hoped that this rally will arouse enough public interest to cause the board to feel that the teachers and public are watching its operations."

Invitations have been extended to all members of the board to attend and give their views on teachers' salaries. Stokes states that three to five minutes have been allotted each board member for that purpose.

"So far," Stokes declares, "the reported intentions of the board indicate what we call a paper salary schedule, because, as the report has it, the schedule will look good on paper but will work out to favor a few and slight the many."

Automotive machinists endorse Proposition 1

Ed T. Merritt, secretary-treasurer of the Automotive Machinists Non-Partisan Political League of East Bay Automotive Machinists 1546, announced that the league has endorsed Proposition 1 on the Oakland city election ballot.

Patronize Our Advertisers!

Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

The AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department show will be held May 1st through 6th in Brooks Hall, Civic Center, in San Francisco. Thousands of dollars worth of prizes will be awarded, also an outstanding entertainment program has been arranged and live educational displays of union services and products will be seen.

Admission is free but tickets are required and are now available at the business office of this union.

The United Association will have a display relating to apprenticeship training. So if you happen to be in San Francisco on the above dates be sure to take in this show. For any of our refrigeration members, the University of California Radiation Laboratory in Livermore, has requested from this local union that we furnish additional refrigeration men to them. For anyone interested in this employment, please contact this business office.

Our next meeting, to be held on April 16th, has been designated as a special called meeting for the purpose of acting on the resolution pertaining to an increase in dues. Also a report of your negotiating committee will be given.

Paint Makers' 1101

By PETE CEREMELLO

The Montgomery Ward Company is now taking applications for the following classifications in their new paint factory in San Leandro:

Tinters, mixers, mill operators, labelers, fillers.

Applications and interviews are being held between 9 a.m. and noon Monday through Friday on the fourth floor, Personnel Department, 29th Avenue and East 14th Street, Oakland. There will be some good job opportunities for paint makers who are out of work. If you go to work there, please phone and let us know.

Two new shop stewards were elected at the C. K. Williams

Company. They are Daniel Murphy and Richard Phillips.

No new illnesses to report. Glad to report that Brothers Eddie Lee Daniels, Fred Land and Sister Meta Wilkinson are back on the job.

Wind blew up in the Delta Saturday and Sunday, so did not do so good but saw some nice fish come in at Frank's Resort at Frank's Tract. Fishing a little spotty in the San Pablo Bay also. This is the first time I can remember that the schools of striped bass have stayed so long in the Bay. Well once again go get 'em!!

Arrivederci

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

This past week, I had occasion to visit Semler Jewelers located in the Hillsdale Shopping Center.

A report came into the office that this store was advertising in the Hillsdale Shopping Guide, 10 percent off on all watch repairs, one year guarantee and "free" estimate.

Upon visiting this store and explaining to the lady watchmaker, Mrs. Semler, that her advertisement was a violation of the union agreement, she agreed immediately not to run this type of advertising again.

A week or so ago, we reported that we had stopped a price advertisement being run by Lloyds of Lynch in Oakland.

Inasmuch as I was not too sure of this establishment, I requested a watchmaker in the neighborhood to keep an eye out for any possible future advertising of this nature.

Sure enough, I was to hear of this establishment again, although they did not run a direct price advertisement. They did run a \$1 coupon advertisement on watch repairs.

I again visited the watchmaker in this establishment without too much success. Therefore, it was necessary that I go to Walnut Creek and contact the owner of the market in which this watchmaker's concession is operated.

After a short discussion with him, I feel certain that this matter is settled.

Executive Board Meeting: The Executive Board will meet on Thursday, April 16th at 7 p.m. in the union office.

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Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAN

About the only real news this week is that Les Holmes, the dispatcher in the Valdez Street office of Locals 1473, 1158 and 194 has retired to some well earned relaxation from the daily grind. Brother Richardson of 1158 is taking his place. We wish them both the best.

There will be important matters before our meeting this Friday down at Local 36 and also 1473. Try to be there if possible.

The B. A.'s changed districts for the new quarter this week and Bill is in the Berkeley area, Riz is in East Oakland, I have the downtown for this go-round. Jobs seem to be picking up some, also.

I hope the members will take time to vote come Election Day and read this paper for clues on how.

Steel Machinists I304

By DAVE ARCA

Taxes, taxes everywhere. Some of them aren't really fair. City, county, state and nation, all exist upon taxation. Babies, bicycles, boats and bonnet, everything has taxes on it. Income, profits, savings too, are targets for tax revenue.

When legislators create factions and dream up ways for more taxation, we shake our head and sadly wonder, if loyalty led us to blunder. These candidates that Labor chose, has Labor paying, through the nose.

The Attendance Committee reproached us for not publicizing the attendance progress each week. It does no good to protest that space is limited. They're both bigger than me. At the March 19th meeting, three members with last names beginning with the letter "A" were present.

Our April 2nd meeting had one member last name starting with "B".

Okay Larry Aubrey and Ernie Perry, we'll "C" you next meeting. April 16th.

Carpenters Auxiliary

By JULIA SJOBERG

Those that attended the social at the home of Martha Light March 13th were: Bea Cameron, Eleanore Clapp, Anna Elvin, Erna Jenkins, Jo Wheeler, Aline Haake, Laura Osborne, Aleen Byrne and Julia Sjoborg. Several games of bingo were played, after which our hostess, Martha Light, served us with delicious pie and plenty of good coffee.

Our Sewing Club met at the home of Wava Barber at 109 Bristol Blvd., San Leandro, March 19th. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed by Alta Benonys, Laura Osborne, Bea Cameron, Agnes Anderson, Anna Elvin, Martha Light, Eleanore Clapp and Julia Sjoborg. After playing a few games of bingo our hostess served us with delicious cake, ice cream and coffee. Unique beautiful hand made prizes were given to all members present.

April 10 will be social night at the home of Alta Benonys, 1613 Bonita Ave., Berkeley at 8 p.m. April 16 will be sewing night at the home of Viola Ray, 937 Heinz Ave., Berkeley at 8 p.m.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Haake will be married the 4th of April.

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COPE backs Quinn, Lee, Brumer, King and Rev. Votruba

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nia general secondary teaching credential.

Lee is a delegate to the Central Labor Council from Teachers 771.

If elected, Lee promises to represent working people, small businessmen, homeowners and minority citizens, he declares not now heard on the City Council.

His program includes better housing, better transportation, adequate recreation facilities, adequate city planning, the right of city employees to join unions of their choice, and recognition of minority rights in employment.

In addition to COPE, Lee has been endorsed by the Democratic Central Committee and 70 business, labor and professional leaders.

Quinn is a business representative for Bartenders 52 and former president of the Central Labor Council. A resident of Oakland 41 years, he has had 25 years' experience in labor-management relations.

Included in Quinn's platform are: preventing the State Highway Commission from building freeways without the foreknowledge of property owners, and electing councilmen from districts in which they live.

Quinn says he is against dispossessing families from their homes to build freeways and believes the people should be listened to by officials.

Representatives of labor, business and the professions also have endorsed Quinn.

In the school board race, Mrs. Brumer is an attorney and housewife. She is a member of the California and New York state bars. She holds a Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts degrees. The latter in political science and economics.

The Rev. Mr. Votruba is pastor of the Mills Terrace Christian Church. He is a graduate of Drake University and holds a Bachelor of Divinity degree from the University of Chicago. He has been pastor of Mills church for the past eight years and also has been director of church education for junior high camps of his denomination.

King is Grand Lodge Representative for the International Association of Machinists, AFL-CIO. He has been a school director since 1954.

Huff, a graduate of the University of California, has been active in Democratic circles. He is a certified public accountant.

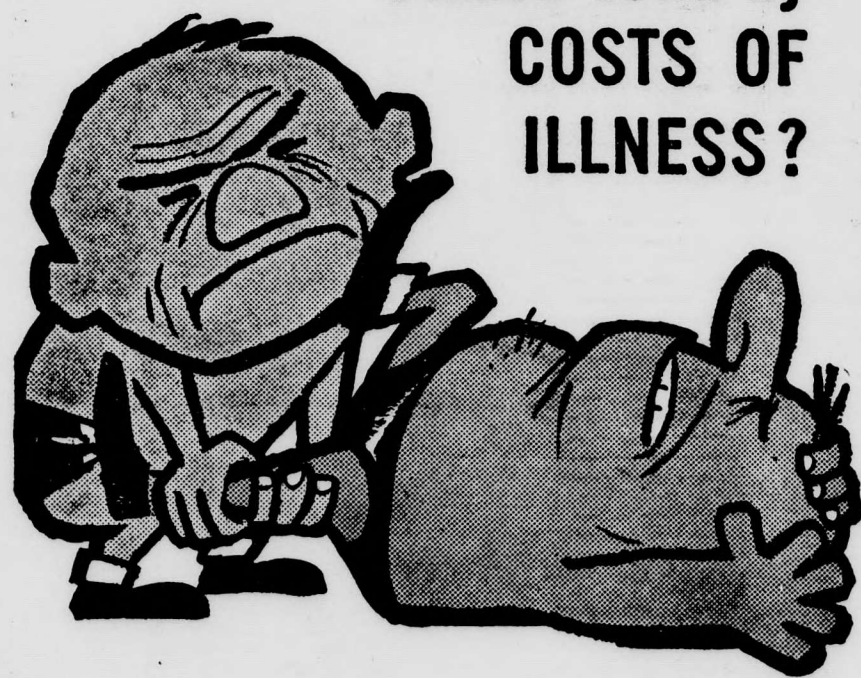
No endorsements have been voted by COPE as yet for four propositions on the city ballot.

Retired seamen to live in their own hotels

Trustees of the Marine Cooks and Stewards Union pension fund have agreed to buy hotels in cities along the Pacific Coast in which their pensioned members may live.

It is reported that the pension funds of the Marine Cooks, the Sailors Union, and the Marine Firemen will be merged so that retired members of any of the three unions may live in these special hotels.

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OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

AUTOMOBILE SALESMEN 1095

Please be advised that the next regular meeting of Automobile Salesmen 1095, will be held May 7, 1959 at 8:00 p.m.

Location: Cooks Hall, 1608 Webster Street, Oakland. All members should attend this meeting.

Fraternally,
ALBERT R. SILVA,
Secretary

CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWinoaks 3-1120.

CARPENTERS 36

Regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8:00 p.m. at 761 12th Street, Oakland, California. There will also be a special called meeting Friday at 8 p.m., April 17, 1959, to vote on three referendum resolutions as requested by the California State Council of Carpenters.

These resolutions are of vital importance to the Carpenters of California and you should make every effort to attend this most important meeting.

The Stewards will meet April 16, 1959, Thursday at 8 p.m.

The Educational Committee will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m. April 22, 1959.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

The next regular meeting will be held at union headquarters at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, 1959.

Fraternally yours,
ROY WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held April 21 in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 215 Valdez Street, at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Business Representative

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, April 16th, 8:00 p.m.

Executive Board meets at 6:30 p.m.

Special Stewards Council and Workman's Compensation Committee meeting on Saturday, April 18th, at 10:30 a.m.

Fraternally,
DAVE ARCA,
Recording Secretary

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

Our next meeting to be held on April 16, 1959, will be a special called meeting for the purpose of acting on the resolution pertaining to an increase in dues, also the report of your Negotiating Committee, covering our 1959-60 contract, will be given.

As these are important items, please arrange your affairs so that you may be present at this meeting.

Fraternally,
JAMES H. MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.

CARPENTERS 1473

Fruitvale Local 1473 meets the first and third Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in Eagle Hall, 1228 - 36th Avenue, Oakland.

April 17 will be Special Called meeting to vote on proposed changes in the Constitution of the State Council of Carpenters, to discuss and suggest changes in our contract, and to act on possible economy in operating the local.

Fraternally,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next regular meeting of Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444 will be held Wednesday, April 22, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.

1. We will have the regular order of business.

2. There will be reports from your delegates to the State Pipe Trades Convention.

3. Report from your Business Manager on his trip to Washington, D. C.

4. This is your last and final notice to pick up your 1959-60 dues book.

Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

Fraternally,
BEN H. BEYNON,
Bus. Mgr. and
Fin. Sec.-Treas.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 216

Death assessment No. 433 is now due and payable. Brother Edward Brady, No. 14743, former Business Representative of Local 272, San Mateo, passed away on January 31, 1959.

Fraternally,
LLOYD CHILD,
Business Representative

UC EMPLOYEES 371

Our next regular meeting will be held at the Eagles Hall, 2238 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley, Saturday, April 11, 1959 at 2 p.m. Executive board meeting at 12:30.

We would like to see each and every member who can possibly be there. Maybe there is something you do not like about the way meetings are conducted.

Maybe you think that motions are made in your absence that you do not like.

If that is how you feel, why not come to the next meeting and voice your sentiments.

As you know you have the same rights as any other member. The facts are we need your way of thinking, but if you are not there, how are we going to use your thoughts on matters that are helpful to all the members.

Hope to see you at our next regular meeting.

Fraternally yours,
C. F. MARTIN,
Secretary

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings for April will be held at the Labor Temple, Hayward, each Friday at 8 p.m. The April 10 meeting will be a special called meeting to vote on three referendum resolutions passed at the convention of the California State Council of Carpenters, also to vote on amendments to the general by-laws and sick benefit by-laws of the local. An important meeting, be sure to attend.

Friday, April 17, will be Social Night for members and wives. The Friday, April 24, meeting has been cancelled. There will be a regular meeting instead on Thursday April 23.

Steward's meeting on Tuesday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL,
Recording Secretary

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Friday, April 24, 1959, 8:00 p.m. 2315 Valdez St., Hall D, Oakland. Ed Raggio, Staff Representative, will speak on Workmen's Compensation.

Fraternally,
DOROTHY McDAID,
Recording Secretary

COPE, 13TH A. D.

The 13th A. D. COPE will meet on the second Wednesday of each month in the Cooks Hall, 696 B Street, Hayward, at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
JO EDWARDS,
Secretary-Treasurer

TEACHERS 771

Don't forget the Teachers' Salary Rally on Thursday night, April 9, 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium at Roosevelt Jr. High School, 19th Avenue and East 19th Street. Dr. Joel Hildebrand, Assemblyman Nicholas Petris and Robert Crown, and candidates for the Board of Education will speak.

Regular agenda will be followed at the next Executive Board meeting on Thursday, April 16, 4:00 p.m. in the teachers' cafeteria at Oakland High School.

Fraternally,
GEORGE STOKES,
Executive Secretary

PAINT MAKERS 1101

This is your official notification that the By-Laws were changed at the Special Meeting of March 17, 1959.

The changes are:

Article VI, Section 1 changed to read "Dues to be \$5.00 per month, payable on the first of the month". The \$5.00 dues per month is effective April 1, 1959.

Article V, Section 4 to be eliminated. Which means effective April 1, 1959 there will be no fines for missing a Regular Meeting.

Fraternally yours,
PETE CEREMELLO,
Business Manager

PAINTERS LOCAL 127

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!

The next four meetings of your local are very important to all members.

(1) Changes in District Council No. 16 By Laws.

(2) Negotiations on our new agreement are coming up.

(3) Insurance problems are also coming up.

All these problems concern each and every member; so you should come down for these important matters.

On a special matter you will receive a card concerning this meeting. Hope to see a lot of the members down to the next meetings, April 9, 23, and May 7, 21, 1959.

Brothers: Be sure and ask the man you work with for his paid up dues card, as there have been a few members suspended in the past months. You could be fined for working with a suspended member. A word to the wise should be enough.

Fraternally yours,
EDGAR S. GULBRANSEN,
Recording Secretary

MILLMEN 550

There will be a special called meeting at 8:00 p.m. Friday, April 17, in Hall A of the Labor Temple, Oakland, for the purpose of a referendum vote on changes in our California State Council of Carpenters' constitution and in increase in per capita tax to the State Council.

Please attend this meeting.

Fraternally yours,
F. G. BROOKS, Pres.
M. D. CICINATO, Sec.

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Our next regular meeting will be Friday night, April 17.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT S. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

The appearance of Dr. Spencer Benbow, Business Manager, Oakland Public Schools, has been postponed to the May 2, 1959 meeting of the Local. Dr. Benbow will speak on the proposed incorporation of Section 20493 into the State Employees' Retirement Law and its effect upon classified employees of the Oakland Public Schools.

Fraternally yours,
JOE FALLS,
Secretary

CARPENTERS 1158

Now meets in the Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut Street, Berkeley, California.

Meeting nights are the first and third Mondays of each month.

Fraternally,
H. B. RICHARDSON,
Recording Secretary

BERKELEY PAINTERS LOCAL 40

Benefits paid by our Welfare Fund have been raised effective March 1, 1959.

Surgery benefits have been raised from \$337.50 to \$500.00. Dependent's diagnostic x-ray and laboratory expenses are raised from \$25 to \$50, out patient surgical services from \$50 to \$75.

Provisions on group life insurance has been changed from end of contract year to 1 year from date of total disability. Continuation of insurance during total disability has been changed from 60 to 90 days.

Polio benefits have been changed to provide for payment for a two year period from date polio is first contracted.

The next three months meetings are important to every member. We will be discussing and voting on a new agreement, also election of officers and delegates to serve for the next two years.

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Fraternally,
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Teachers official addresses council; others blast CTA

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officials have intimidated the company-union teachers' association not to take a stand in the school election.

He said only two Democrats have been elected to the Oakland Board of Education in 40 years.

Election of COPE-endorsed candidates to the board, Haydis said, will result in satisfactory grievance and transfer procedures for Oakland teachers.

At present, Haydis told the labor council, school officials hire beginning teachers at low salaries to replace retiring instructors. Then, according to Haydis, they pay a quarter of a million dollars in salaries for supervisors and "pushers."

George Stokes, part-time executive secretary of Teachers 771, said Mrs. Marjorie Hirschler, one of the incumbents, appeared before the union and failed to answer its questions satisfactorily.

Particularly, Stokes said, Mrs. Hirschler flunked questions on whether there is racial discrimination in hiring and placement and whether faculty meetings are conducted democratically.

The other opposed incumbent, Barney E. Hilburn, failed to appear before the teachers' union group, Stokes said.

Stokes said the union has specifically backed the COPE-endorsed candidates, John King, Mrs. June Brumer and the Rev. Matthew J. Votruba, but no others.

Puppetry classes to start Saturday

The first puppetry class of the season in Children's Fairyland will take place between 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11.

Boys and girls 8 to 12 years of age who qualify will receive free lessons from Fairyland's famed puppeteers, Dorothy Hayward and Tony Urbano, in the art of making puppets and basic information on show production techniques.

At the end of the course, each of the young puppeteers will receive an attractive graduation certificate signed by Mrs. Hayward and Park Superintendent William Penn Mott Jr. Outstanding graduates will also be presented by Little King Fuddle the First and Skipper Sedley on their television program.

A highlight of the series will be the opportunity to observe backstage activities during actual presentations of the puppet theater's current hit, "The Three Wishes." This show, with which Mrs. Hayward and Urbano won top honors in national competition of the Puppeteers of America, is sponsored by Local 302 of the Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Union.

Candidates' night

A candidates' night for Oakland city council and board of education candidates will be held by the 16th Assembly District Democratic Pension Labor Club at 6 p.m. Friday, April 10, at the True Food Cafeteria, 308 - 14th Street.

Brown issues appeal to labor: 'support legislative program'

Governor Brown has made a specific, direct appeal to organized labor in California to support his legislative program of "responsible liberalism."

In a letter "to the officers and members of the labor movement in California," the governor says:

"I am writing to ask your support for what I consider one of the most important legislative programs ever undertaken by a Governor of California."

By promoting the program, Governor Brown said, labor can serve the welfare of its own members and every citizen of the state.

The governor listed the principal points of the program as:

1. FEPC.
2. Elimination of cross-filing.
3. A statewide water program.
4. A consumer representative in state government.
5. An economic development agency.
6. A state minimum wage law.
7. Labor relations and jurisdictional dispute laws.
8. A taxation program to provide fiscal responsibility.

On the touchy subject of his labor program, Governor Brown said:

"I do not pretend this legislation is perfect. But I believe its basic concept is sound."

"It protects both responsible labor and responsible management from the selfish acts of any irresponsible few."

Governor Brown added that his program would provide "for the first time a democratic means whereby employees in intrastate commerce may designate a union as their bargaining representative."

"It repeals the Jurisdictional Strike Act, which has led to bitterness and strife and which has too often been used by unscrup-

ulous employers as a strike-breaking weapon."

Here are some of the governor's statements to labor on other points of his program:

Cross-filing—"I believe that to abolish cross-filing would serve the best interests of our people. It would strengthen representative government by making our parties more responsible and more responsive to the will of the people."

Consumer counsel—"The consumer counsel . . . will be the people's voice before such groups as the Public Utilities Commission in fighting higher utility rates, rising prices, gouging business tactics."

Water—"Use of the investment fund to balance the budget would mean that we could not make a start on the water program this year. And an immediate start is necessary if water is to be brought to Southern California in time to meet its needs, and if we are to control the flood waters which each year bring disaster or near-disaster to Northern California."

Taxes—"In the last three fiscal years, general fund expenditures exceeded revenues by more than \$323 million. In the 1958-59 fiscal year alone the deficit is estimated at \$147.5 million."

"By using surpluses to meet these deficits we have merely delayed the day of reckoning. That day is now here."

"I know your (labor's) traditional opposition to such consumer taxes as I have proposed on cigarettes and beer. But these taxes are sought only as part of a much larger overall tax program."

"My other proposed taxes are carefully designed to reach upper income groups and industries which have not been paying their fair share of the tax load."

BTC endorses joint St. Rose-S. L. Memorial hospital drive

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Hospital and 100 for San Leandro Memorial Hospital."

The letter was signed by Dr. Michael D. Sheridan, president of the St. Rose Hospital Building Fund, Inc., and P. J. Bernardi, general chairman.

Both the Building Trades and Central Labor councils have been urged by St. Rose drive leaders to name five delegates each to the Civic Advisory Board.

President Joe Pruss of the Building Trades Council earlier appointed Charles Geroni, Carpet and Linoleum Layers 1290; Joe Egan, Plasterers 112, and Roe.

To bring the number to five, he named two more Tuesday night: Leroy Barstow, Painters 1178, and Bruce Dillashaw, Cement Masons 594.

All five will attend the meeting between the two fund-raising groups, to be held at the Southgate Lanes Dining Room, 1385 W. Jackson Street, Hayward, at 10 a.m. Saturday.

STATE ADVISORY MEETING

A letter from Bryan P. Deavers, president of the State Building and Construction Trades

Council, was read by Secretary John Davy announcing a meeting of the Advisory Council of the state organization.

The meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 24, in the Mirror Room of the Bellevue Hotel, San Francisco.

The Advisory Council is composed of all representatives of unions and councils affiliated with the State Building Trades Council who serve labor on a full-time basis.

'Satisfactory progress' in E. B. parks dispute

"Satisfactory progress" in negotiations with management of the East Bay Regional Parks was reported to the Central Labor Council this week by Art Hellen-der, CLC assistant secretary.

Now that directors of the regional park system, have recognized the AFLCIO American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, park officials are continuing to meet with Hellen-der and James Marshall, union organizer.

BUILDING TRADES BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH AGC

Bargaining on master contracts covering 42 Northern California counties has started between building trades unions and the Associated General Contractors.

Talks have started between the AGC and cement masons, pile drivers and construction teamsters.

Bargaining for other crafts will begin later. Cement masons are asking for a seven hour day with no cut in pay.

AFLCIO to award six scholarships by examination

Qualifying examinations will be held April 28 and May 2 for 1960 AFLCIO four-year merit scholarships.

The AFLCIO is awarding \$6,000 scholarships to six high school students of exceptional ability who plan to enter college in September, 1960. Each scholarship will cover four years of study.

This scholarship program is being conducted in cooperation with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Two scholarships will be awarded in each of three geographical sections of the United States.

In each geographical area, one scholarship will be awarded to the child of a member of an AFLCIO union. The other scholarship will be awarded to a graduate regardless of whether one of his or her parents is a union member.

Qualifying tests are open to second semester junior and first semester senior students. Tests will be given in all participating high schools April 28, except for those schools which prefer to give the tests on Saturday, May 2.

To be eligible for consideration, students must take the qualifying examination. Students who wish to participate but whose schools are not members of the National Merit Scholarship program should write the National Merit Scholarship Corporation in Evanston, Illinois.

Top scorers in qualifying tests will be advanced to semi-finals in September. They will take the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board at specially designated centers.

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Union-Industries Show to be held in San Francisco

Plans are nearing completion for the 1959 AFLCIO Union Industries Show, which will be held in San Francisco May 1 to 6.

Held in a different major American city each year, the show is one of the nation's greatest free exhibitions.

There will be an estimated \$20 million worth of displays. More than \$80,000 worth of gifts and souvenirs will be given out.

Sponsored and produced by the AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department, the union industries show will feature virtually every skill and service performed by union members.

Joseph Lewis, secretary-treasurer of the Union Label and Service Trades Department, is serving again as the show's director.

Last year, more than 300,000 attended the union industries show in Cincinnati.

Awards such as television sets, electric ranges, live animals, fresh beef, clothing and food will be given away.

Months of planning go into each year's show. Unions in the Bay Area have been working on plans for the San Francisco show for a year. Representatives of the Union Label and Service Trades Department have been in San Francisco since early January.

The show has been described as "the story of American trade unionism and the many benefits every community derives from the cooperative spirit that exists between AFLCIO unions and fair-to-labor employers."

The union label, shop card and union service button will be prominently displayed throughout the show, symbolizing the benefits of this cooperation.

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When doctors disagree, facts about fees emerge

Suppose the Palo Alto-Stanford Hospital dismisses a couple of doctors who comprised the hospital's pathological staff for many years? What difference does that make to labor people?

Well, labor people have been complaining for a long time about the steady rise of fees charged for services under health and welfare plans, and in the row over the dropping of these two medicos some figures about fees came out which decidedly are of interest to us labor people.

It seems the contract between the hospital and the two pathologists provided that the pathologists were to get one-third of their gross fees, with the hospital setting up the laboratories and providing assistants.

The hospital director says that under this deal the two pathologists stood to receive "over \$100,000 between them" last year.

Dr. Homer Hunt, one of the canned pair, made an interesting comment on the statement by the director. Dr. Hunt said:

"The hospital administration singled us out among hundreds of doctors in the community to publish our incomes. Anyone getting less is likely to feel prejudiced against us. Actually, many doctors receive more."

The two men who have taken the place of the canned specialists were said by the hospital authorities to wish no publicity about themselves, "as it might stir up controversy."

Might make some members of the closed shop medical profession feel they are rate-cutters.

The East Bay Health & Welfare Council, which has been digging into these matters for some time, is made up of people who don't mind doctors getting a good return for their services. But when the doctors' closed shop fights bitterly every step toward a national health service, and when the hospital managements resist unionism as if it were a worse disease than any that is treated in a hospital, then many of us feel like saying:

"A plague on both your houses! And the more you row between yourselves about your fat fees, the better for all of us, for it makes facts public which your closed shop usually carefully hides."

Our CLC backed 'em!

The East Bay Regional Park District's board of directors has now formally agreed to recognize a newly organized local of the AFLCIO State, County, and Municipal Employees as bargaining agent for regional park employees.

Their action was marked with special interest for labor people by the statement of Director Robert Gordon Sproul, retired UC president, that "I'm in agreement with this in principle," that is, with the policy of allowing public employees to join a union.

Fact is, of course, that so obstinate has been the objection of some authorities to public employees joining unions that Electrical Workers 1245, representing PG&E employees, is opposed to public ownership of utilities because servants of the public are treated too much like slaves.

Moreover, the resolute backing of the regional park workers by the Alameda County Central Labor Council had a good deal to do with the recognition of the new local. We in this county get used to the fact that our Central Labor Council does this sort of thing. But many councils don't, as organizers who have traveled around the country trying to form public employees' unions know very well.

Half a crumb

President Eisenhower's signature on March 31 extended to the end of June special emergency payments to persons without jobs for long periods, and who have used up their regular State unemployment benefit rights.

But under this emergency law, if a man lost his job on April Fool's Day or thereafter, he could stay out of work forever and a day after his regular State payments ran out with no help from this emergency law.

Half a crumb is better than no dough. But it doesn't solve the basic problem of the decline in the number of jobs as automation increases.

Only one thing will ever solve that—the organized political force of organized labor insisting on fundamental grappling with this fundamental problem.

Tramp! Clank! Tramp!



STORY OF MACHINISTS IS TOLD BY 'MONITOR'

The Christian Science Monitor in a recent issue devoted a full page, with a feature layout, to an article by Ed Townsend, its labor correspondent, entitled "What Makes a Good Union? A Report on the IAM." Following is part of that article:

What makes a good union?

Seventy years ago a big, bearded railroad machinist in Atlanta, Tom Talbot, gave what can be considered an answer to that question in a letter: "... Men who have a higher ambition in life than merely to earn a living, but who wish to rear up families that will make good and useful citizens and who have a desire to see their comrades and shop-mates lifted from a life of continuous trouble and anxiety, and placed in a position where they will have equal facilities to demand their rights and privileges, and who have sufficient judgment to equally respect the rights and privileges of others. . . ."

Tom Talbot was referring in his letter to machinists who had banded together to form a new union, the United Machinists & Mechanical Engineers of America. The founders were all practical men, he said, deeply concerned about the common problems and needs of machinists throughout the country in a time of depression, unemployment, and wage cuts. He urged "honorable, industrious, and sober" machinists to unite with them in a union that would be publicly identified through the years as one of men of high character and skill.

The union founded in Atlanta seven decades ago is now the International Association of Machinists, one of the largest and most respected labor organizations in the world, with nearly a million members in North America at the end of 1958. It has changed in many ways since its founding in May, 1888, but

not in its determination—first enunciated by Tom Talbot—to maintain a public reputation for integrity and responsibility.

The International Association of Machinists has critics today—no organization that presses vigorously for what it considers to be just rights and privileges can escape criticism from those who have a different viewpoint. But, in a time of widespread talk of corruption and racketeering within labor, of misused or squandered funds and a lack of democratic procedures, the IAM has been cited often and widely as typical of what is good in the American union movement.

In this way, the IAM today measures up to the stature that Talbot and 18 fellow workers hoped—and prayed—their United Machinists & Mechanical Engineers of America would someday have.

Back in 1888, the country was suffering from bad times. Thousands were walking the streets, jobless. A 12-hour day was common, a 10-hour day was considered ideal. The wages of machinists, skilled wages, had been cut as low as 15 cents an hour.

At quitting time on May 5, 1888, Talbot and the 18 other machinists slipped down, one by one, into a locomotive pit in a railroad yard at Atlanta. There, beneath an old engine, they talked quietly about their common problems and finally voted to form a union.

Each man chipped in \$1.50 as a "loan" to Lodge 1 of their new United Machinists & Mechanical Engineers of America. With the \$28.50 founding fund, the group prepared the constitution, ritual, application blanks, dues cards, charters, and other basic material necessary for an active union.

The purposes of the new organization were clearly defined: It would help to resist wage cuts, to provide insurance against unemployment, illness and accident, and to assist with the needs of the aged.

Today, at a time when most unions are on a plateau of growth, it is expanding. By the end of this year, the Machinists' membership may push over the million mark—making the union the fourth largest in this country, topped only by the controversial International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the United Auto Workers, and the United Steelworkers.

Civil rights!

The figures of two polls, one at Northwestern University and the other at the University of Wisconsin, are a cause for concern. They show that only two or three out of ten polled are willing to grant an accused man the right to confront the person preferring charges against him or to stand by the provision against double jeopardy.

Only 5 or 6 out of 10 asked agreed that a man has a right to a public trial, to due process of law, and to the right against self-incrimination.

Only 8 or 9 out of 10 accept freedom of the press, the best defended right, the one that has consistent support of the nation's newspapers. — Washington Teamster.

OPINIONS

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THINGS ROUGH ON OUR STREETS

Editor, Labor Journal:

Why don't we labor people run a man for City Council who will force PG&E, Key System and the East Bay Municipal Utility District to fix our streets after ripping same up and leaving chuck holes for us to break our necks or wreck our cars on. As it is now, they are only good for young folks to ride up and down from one hole to another, which is the latest in rock and roll. The kids love it but papa pays for the broken spring. Wrote to Tribune last month with no answer. But they are afraid of PG&E, Key System, and EBMUD. Labor never was afraid of nothing. Are we afraid to run a good man for the taxpayers.

Very truly,
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PHONIES

The use of spurious employee committees to work against the union was a favorite Shefferman device. These committees were started, staffed, and financed by the employer. Their anti-union propaganda was supplied and paid for by the employer. Sometimes the employer provided the services of a lawyer to guide them. The members of these employee committees were usually given financial rewards by the employer for their anti-union activities. — George Meany.

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JOBLESSNESS

Unemployment cost America the greatest number of lost workdays in 1958—over 1 1/10 billion. Recession-caused part-timing meant the loss of additional millions of work-days. Even the staggering size of this number cannot indicate the personal suffering and hardship imposed by the idleness itself, and the resultant losses in income both for individual citizens and for the nation. — AFLCIO's Economic Trends.

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COST-OF-LIVING

Changes in the cost of living probably will be less of a factor in 1959 negotiations than in the past several years, for the rise in living costs has been slackening. The likelihood is that there will be no significant rise or fall at least through the first half of 1959. — AFLCIO Collective Bargaining Report.

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SALES TAXES

Last year, almost \$9 billion was collected from state sales taxes of one sort or another—an amount equal to more than 58% of total tax collections. In 17 states, sales taxes provided 70% or more of all tax revenue. — Labor's Economic Review.

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MUST UNDERSTAND

Our dignity is not in what we do, but what we understand. The whole world is doing things. — George Santayana.